

**Terms of Reference**  
**Green Economy Programme Philippines (EU-GEPP)**  
**PN: 2020.9015.7**

The Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH is an international cooperation enterprise for sustainable development with worldwide operations on behalf of the German Government. Presently, GIZ Philippines seeks a qualified candidate for one (1) position as:

**Policy Advisor Circular Economy (Band 4T)**

to support policy dialogue and policy analysis for the political partners DENR and EMB, for involved project staff and partners in the Philippines on issues related to circular economy

**Background and field of project involvement**

In collaboration with the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), Expertise France and the International Finance Corporation (IFC World Bank Group), GIZ will support the European Union-funded Green Economy Program Philippines (GEPP) to foster a transformation towards circular economy, to improve resource efficiency and urban environmental services and to reduce plastic and packaging waste in the Philippines. In addition, interventions will also aim to quantify related climate benefits, in particular GHG emission reductions. The measures will be part of the regional BMWK project "Urban Act". GIZ will take on the role as the main policy adviser for the project, set up a stakeholder platform that will involve EU and Philippine stakeholders from government, private sector, academia and civil society, organize the implementation of demonstration projects, but also perform as project coordinator for involved key stakeholders and the implementing agencies.

As policy advisor circular economy for the EU contribution, you will work closely with the counterparts of the political partner, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) as well as with involved experts from the Environmental Management Bureau (EMB). You will be under the supervision of the GIZ Project Leader of the EU-GEPP.

**Tasks**

- With support from the senior advisor, team leader and other staff, prepare and lead all measures that relate to policy dialogue of the GEPP on circular economy, especially for the identification of policy gaps and recommendations for policy amendment, and for identifying enablers and opportunities that could be explored through demonstration projects,

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- Advise on the conduct of a comprehensive analysis of the legal framework in the Philippines to provide a legal baseline and to clarify suited entrance points and relevant aspects that should be taken up by the GEPP policy dialogue,
  - Propose, together with the other involved international and national experts, policy enhancements on sustainable plastic value chains and plastic and packaging waste management and other areas related to circular economy. Draft a concept for selection, design and implementation of related demonstration projects,
  - Support the elaboration of a selection process and criteria for the identification of pilot projects that can demonstrate how to implement circular economy successfully, e.g. enhancing plastic and packaging circularity, designing sustainable packaging, optimizing supply chains including waste management, setting up Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) and deposit-return schemes,
  - Support the involved advisors, short-term experts and involved consultants in the implementation of policy demonstration and pilot projects,
  - Related to circular economy, plastic and packaging waste: design and oversee studies, the design of training modules, and concepts for workshops and study trips,
  - Prepare briefs and recommendation papers on good practices related to circular economy, including the prevention and sustainable management of plastics and plastic waste, for instance by exploring alternatives that enable transformation towards reduced plastic packaging or increase in plastic circularity,
  - Support the preparation and execution of project-related tenders, potential grant agreements and/or local contributions and lead the coordination process with involved sub-contractors, consultants or grantee's,
  - Contribute to progress reports and to the establishment and review of work plans, support knowledge management and the regular reporting to EU and DENR, as well as to the GEPP Project Steering Committee (PSC) and SO1 Technical Working Group (TWG)
  - Support the team leader, senior advisor and other involved experts and national partner institutions in the elaboration and implementation of the work plan for SO1; support planning, implementing, monitoring and coordinating of all relevant actions and objectives for the project in your area of responsibility,
  - Support other involved national advisers and supervise involved junior adviser(s) and interns on behalf of the Team Lead, and support national or international consultants hired by the project,
  - Participate in GIZ sector networks and knowledge management,
  - Perform other project related tasks as assigned by the Project leader.

## Your Profile

- University degree in the fields of, environmental science, waste management and circular economy, political science, economics, or similar,

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- At least 3 years professional experience related to circular economy, green economy, waste management, sustainable production and consumption, (plastic) waste reduction and recycling,
  - Knowledge of laws, strategies and development plans that related to environment and climate agendas including marine litter,
  - Knowledge on extended producer responsibility (EPR), green public procurement, life cycle assessment,
  - Exposure to international development support projects are an asset,
  - Good communication skills, ability to work with networks (internal and external) and to act efficiently and timely, also under stressful conditions, as well as excellent negotiation and writing skills,
  - Fluent language skills in English and Tagalog; knowledge of German language is an asset.

**Other knowledge, additional competences**

- Ability to work in an intercultural environment,
- Ability to work in a multicultural team, social competence,
- Readiness for travel within the Philippines,

**Duty Station:** Quezon City

**Line Manager:** Project Leader of EU-GEPP

**Contract Duration:** earliest possible date to 31.12.2027